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SUBJECT OECD ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE NEW PROPOSALS FOR  
1977 PROGRAM

1. SUMMARY: PERMDELS WILL MEET WITH SECRETARIAT  
JAN 19 TO IDENTIFY AS FAR AS POSSIBLE MEMBER-COUNTRY  
PRIORITIES AMONG THE MANY NEW PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION  
BY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE AT NEXT SESSION. LIST OF  
PROPOSALS HAS BEEN AIRPOUCHED TO DEPARTMENT (GLASOE,  
OES). ACTION: PLEASE CABLE PRIORITY LEVELS TOGETHER  
WITH COMMENTS IN TIME FOR JAN 19 MEETING WITH  
SECRETARIAT. END SUMMARY

2. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE'S  
INSTRUCTION - SEE ENV/M(75)3, PARA 39 - THE SECRETARIAT  
HAS INVITED PERMDELS TO A PRELIMINARY, GENERAL DISCUSSION  
OF NEW PROPOSALS PRIOR TO THEIR CONSIDERATION BY THE  
COMMITTEE IN MARCH. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING  
THE DEPARTMENT'S ASSESSMENT OF PRIORITIES IN TIME FOR  
JAN 19 MEETING.

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3. MISSION NOTES THAT (A) WORK ON FLUOROCARBONS WILL PROCEED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENV/M(75)3, SECTION 8, PARA 45, I.E. WITH ONLY MARGINAL SECRETARIAT RESOURCES. THIS TOPIC IS THEREFORE NOT INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF NEW PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION, (B) THE FINAL, ANALYTICAL STAGE OF THE EXTENSIVE PROJECT ON EUTROPHICATION IS ALSO OMITTED FROM THE LIST AS THE MAGNITUDE OF THE WIND-UP RESOURCES REQUIRED WILL CALL FOR A MAJOR DECISION BY THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE IN MARCH, AND POSSIBLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL FOR A TERMINAL PROJECT UNDER PART II OF THE BUDGET.

4. BELOW IS THE OFFICIAL LIST OF NEW PROPOSALS, WITH COMMITTEE ROOM DOCUMENT (CRD) REFERENCES WHERE APPROPRIATE, AND ORIGIN OF PROPOSAL (MEMBER-COUNTRY, SECRETARIAT).

PROPOSAL 1: DETERIORATION OF AUTOMOBILES WITH RESPECT TO AIR POLLUTION EMISSION CHARACTERISTICS (SWEDEN: SEE CRD NO. 4) AND EMISSION STANDARDS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 11). THE SWIDISH PROJECT IS INCLUDED IN THE SECRETARIAT PROJECT; RESOURCES REQUIRED FOR THE SWIDISH PROJECT CAN BE ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT 7 MAN-MONTHS; THE SECRETARIAT PROJECT WOULD REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL 8 MAN-MONTHS OR 15 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 2: MEASURING THE EVOLUTION OF THE STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN OECD MEMBER COUNTRIES AND ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURES (U.K.: SEE CRD NO. 15 AND R.D. NO. 2 TO THE 13TH SESSION OF THE GROUP OF ECONOMIC EXPERTS, 17TH-19TH DECEMBER, 1975) AND MEASURING THE EVOLUTION OF THE STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN OECD MEMBER COUNTRIES (SECRETARIAT : SEE CRD NO. 5). THE SECRETARIAT PROJECT WOULD REQUIRE 18 MAN-MONTHS; THE U.K. PROJECT WOULD REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL 12 MAN-MONTHS OR 30 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 3: THE INCOME DISTRIBUTION IMPLICATIONS OR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 6). 12 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 4: COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGES CAUSED BY POLLUTION (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 7). 6 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 6: ENVIRONMENTAL AND EMPLOYMENT POLICIES UNCLASSIFIED

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(SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 9). 15 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 7: INTERNATIONAL RELOCATION OF INDUSTRY INDUCED BY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 10). 12 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 8: ESTABLISHMENT OF METHODOLOGY ON SETTING ASSIMILATIVE CAPACITY OF WATER BODIES (JAPAN: SEE CRD NO. 18) AND ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES FOR MANAGEMENT OF INDUSTRIALISED RIVER BASINS (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 12)

THE JAPANESE PROJECT, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ABOUT 6 MAN-MONTHS  
CAN BE SEEN AS PART OF THE SECRETARIAT PROJECT.

6-24 MAN-MONTHS

PROPOSAL 9: FEASIBILITY STUDY OF AN INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM  
FOR ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF ENERGY  
SYSTEMS (UNITED STATES: SEE CRD NO. 13). RESOURCES  
REQUIRED CAN BE ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT 20 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 10: RECOMMENDATION REGARDING POLLUTION CONTROL  
COST STUDIES (UNITED STATES: SEE CRD NO. 14). RESOURCES  
REQUIRED CAN BE ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT 10 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 11: CONTROL STRATEGIES FOR SOLVING ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROBLEMS CAUSED BY EMISSIONS OF SULPHUR DIOXIDE  
(NORWAY AND SWEDEN: SEE ENV/D/75.2261). RESOURCES  
REQUIRED CAN BE ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT 18 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 12: APPLICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA  
AND STANDARDS TO LAND USE PLANNING (UNITED STATES:  
SEE ENV/D/75.2268). 12 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 13: THE IMPLICATIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES  
OF FUTURE FOOD PRODUCTION (SECRETARIAT: SEE CRD NO. 1  
FOR 10TH MEETING OF THE GROUP ON UNINTENDED OCCURRENCE  
OF CHEMICALS IN THE ENVIRONMENT, 10TH-12TH DECEMBER).  
6 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 14: IMPACT OF TOURISM ON URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENVIRONMENT (SPAIN: SEE ENV/D/76.2005). 18 MAN-MONTHS.

PROPOSAL 15: METHODOLOGY FOR DRAWING UP NATIONAL  
INVENTORIES OF POTENTIAL SOURCES OF WATER AND AIR  
POLLUTION (SPAIN: PROJECT DESCRIPTION PENDING).

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